National Society of New England Women, Minneapolis Colony

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## Summary Information

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History

The National Society of New England Women was organized in New York City in 1895 by Mrs. William Gerry Slade. In June 1906, at the biennial meeting of the Federation of Women’s Clubs, the President and Secretary of the National Society of New England Women approached the state president of Minnesota Women’s Clubs about having a colony organized in Minneapolis. The state president of Minnesota Women’s Clubs requested that Mrs. S. R. Child to assist her in creating a colony in Minnesota, presumably because of Mrs. S. R. Child’s New England heritage. On October 31, 1906, seventeen women attended the organizational meeting in the director’s room of the state library. The object of the Minneapolis Colony of the National Society of New England Women was to “perpetuate the memory of illustrious New Englanders; to bind together by ties of common interest women born in New England or of New England ancestry; to aid and encourage New England women who may be in need; and to instill into the hearts of the rising generation love for and pride in New England history”. Each year, a theme for study was selected. Meetings were held on the third Friday of the month from September-May.

The Minneapolis Colony followed the constitution of the National Society of New England Women, which contains specific, specific guidelines with respect to New England heritage and membership eligibility.

The Minneapolis colony maintained a scholarship fund and was active in local charitable and civic organizations. The Minneapolis colony was also active in Americanization work.

The club voted in favor is dissolution because of lack of new membership (date unknown).

Original officers:

Mrs. S. R. Child, president; Mrs. Robert Enegren, first vice president; Mrs. Fremon Jaynes, secretary, vice president; Mrs. G. C. Barnes, recording secretary; Mrs. G. F. H. Howarth, treasurer; Mrs. Robert Penny, assistant treasurer; Mrs. J. H. Johnson, council members; Mrs. Brant, council members; Mrs. Smith, council members; Mrs. Willett, council members

Collection Description

One Box. Collection consists of newspaper clippings about the National Society of New England Women and the club’s annual programs spanning 1927-1937.
Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Subject(s)

• Women -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis -- Societies and clubs.
• Women in charitable work -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
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